BY MARY J. HOLMES

CHAPTER XIV.

perhaps on my way home I shall get a would be ready to go about the middle of ride."

Mrs. Mason made no objection, and Mary was soon on her way. She was a rapid walker, and almost before she was aware of it reached the village. As she came near Mrs. Campbell's the wish natnrally arose that Ella should accompany her. Looking up, she saw her sister in the garden and called to her. "Wha-s-t?" was the very loud and un-

civil answer which came back to her, and n a moment Ella appeared round the corner of the house, carelessly swinging her straw bat and humming a fashionable song. On seeing her sister she drew back the corners of her mouth into something which she intended for a smile, and "Why, I thought it was Bridget calling me, you looked so much like her In that gingham sunbonnet. Won't you

"Thank you," returned Mary. "I was going to mosher's grave, and thought perhaps you would like to accompany me." "Oh, no," said Ella, in her usual drawling tone, "I don't know as I want to go. I was there last week, and saw the mon-

"What monument?" asked Mary, and

"Why, didn't you know that Mrs. Mason, or the town, or somebody, had bought a monument, with mother's and father's and Franky's and Allie's names

Mary, hurrying on, soon reached the graveyard, where, as Ella had said, there stood by her parents' graves a large, handsome monument. William Bender was the first person who came into her mind, and as she thought of all that had passed between them, and of this last proof of his affection, she seated herself among the tall grass and flowers which grew upon her mother's grave and burst nto tears. She had not sat there long ere she was roused by the sound of a footstep. Looking up, she saw before her the young gentleman who the year pre-vious had visited her school in Rice Cor-Seating himself respectfully by her side, he spoke of the three graves, and asked if they were her friends who slept there. There was something so kind and affectionate in his voice and manner that Mary could not repress her tears, and, snatching up her bonnet, which she had thrown aside, she hid her face in it and again wept.

For a time Mr. Stuart suffered her to weep, and then gently removed the ging-ham bonnet, and, holding her hand be-tween his, he tried to divert her mind by talking upon other topics, asking her how she had been employed during the year, and appearing greatly pleased when told that she had been at Mount Holyoke. Observing at length that her eyes constantly rested upon the monument, he spoke of that, praising its beauty, and asking if it were her taste.

"No," said she. "I never saw it until of music." to-day, and did not even know it was

"Someone wished to surprise you, I dare say," returned Mr. Stuart "It was manufactured in Boston, I see. Have you friends there?"

Mary replied that she had one, a Mr. which Mr. Stuart quickly re-"Is it William Bender? I have heard of him through our mutual friend, George Moreland, whom you perhaps Mary felt the earnest gaze of the large,

dark eyes which were fixed upon her face, and coloring deeply, she replied that they came from England in the same ves-

"Indeed!" said Mr. Stuart. "When I return to the city shall I refresh his memory a little with regard to you?"
"I'd rather you would not," answered

Mary. "Our paths in life are very different; and he, of course, would feel no interest in me." "Am I to conclude that you, too, feel no interest in him?" returned Mr. Stuart,

and again his large eyes reseted on Mary's face with a curious expression. But she made no reply, and, soon rising up said it was time for her to go home.

Vacation was over, and again in the halls of Mount Holyoke was heard the tread of many feet, and the sound of youthful voices as one by one the pupils came back to their accustomed places. For a time Mary was undecided whether to return or not, for much as she desired an education she could not help feeling delicate about receiving it from a stranger, but Mrs. Mason, to whom all her thoughts and feelings were confided, advised her to return, and accordingly the first day of the term found her again at Mount Holyoke, where she was warmly welcomed by her teachers and companons. Still, it did not seem like the olden time, for Ida was not there, and Jenny's merry laugh was gone.

Patiently and perseveringly through the year she studied, storing her mind with useful knowledge; and when at last the annual examination came, not one in the senior class stood higher, or was graduated with more honor than herself. Mrs. Mason, who was there, listened with all a parent's pride and fondness to her adopted child, as she promptly responded to every question. But it was not Mrs. Mason's presence alone which incited Mary to do so well. Among the crowd of spectators she caught a glimpse of a face which twice before she had seenonce in the school room at Rice Corner and once in the graveyard at Chicopee Turn which way she would, she felt rather than saw how intently Mr. Stuart watched her, and when at last the exercises were over, and she with others arose to receive her diploma, she involuntarily glanced in the direction whence she knew he sat. For an instant their eyes met, and in the expression of his she read an approval warmer than words

That night Mary sat alone in her room, listening almost nervously to the sound of every footstep, and half-starting up reasons Mr. Stuart did not think proper to call, and while Mary was confidently expecting him he was several miles on

In a day or two Mary returned to Chicopee, but did not, like Ella, lay her books aside and consider her education finished.

"Who is she?" asked the

devoted to study, or reading of some Mary returned home and a few days kind. For several weeks nothing was later was solicited to take charge of a allowed to interfere with this arrange-small select school. But Mrs. Mason ment, but at the end of that time the thought it best for her to return to quiet of Mrs. Mason's house was dis-Mount Holyoke and accordingly she declined Mr. Knight's offer, greatly to his Martha and Ida, who came up to Chicodisappointment, and that of many others. | pee for the purpose of inducing Mrs. Ma One morning about a week after her son and Mary to spend the coming winter return she announced her intention of in Boston. At first Mrs. Mason hesitatvisiting her mother's grave. "I am ac- ed, but every objection which either she customed to so much exercise," said she, or Mary raised was so easily put aside "that I can easily walk three miles, and that she finally consented, saying she

CHAPTER XV.

"Come this way, Mary. I'll show you your chamber. It's right here next to ine," said Ida Selden, as on the evening of her friend's arrival she led her up to handsomely furnished apartment, which for many weeks had borne the title of "Mary's room.

"Oh, how pleasant!" was Mary's exclamation, as she surveyed the room in which everything was arranged with such perfect taste.

Mary was too happy to speak, and, dropping into the easy-chair, she burst into tears. In a moment Ida, too, was seated in the same chair, with her arm around Mary's neck. Then, as her own eyes chanced to fall upon some vases, she brought one of them to Mary, saying, See, these are for you-a present from one who bade me present them with his mpliments to the little girl who nursed him on board the Windermere, and who cried because he called her ugly!"

Mary's heart was almost audible in its beating, and her cheeks took on the hue of the cushions on which she reclined. Returning the vase to the mantelpiece, Ida came back to her side, and, bending close to her face, whispered: "Cousin George told me of you years ago, when he first came here, but I forgot all about it, and when we were at Mount Holyoke I never suspected that you were the little girl he used to talk so much about. But a few days before he went away he reminded me of it again, and then I understood why he was so much interested in you. I wonder you never told me you knew him, for, of course, you like him. You can't

Mary only heard a part of what Ida said. "Just before he went away." Was he gone, and should she not see him atter all? A cloud gathered upon her brow, and Ida, readily divining its cause, replied, "Yes, George is gone. Either he or father must go to New Orleans, and so George, of course, went. Isn't it too bad? I cried and fretted, but he only pulled my ears, and said he should think I'd be glad, for he knew we wouldn't want a six-footer domineering over us, and following us everywhere, as he would surely do were he at home.

Mary felt more disappointed than she was willing to acknowledge, and for a moment she half-wished herself back in Chicopee, but soon recovering her equanimity, she ventured to ask how long

"Until April, I believe," said Ida; "but anyway you are to stay until he comes, for Aunt Martha promised to keep you I don't know exactly what George said to her about you, but they talked together more than two hours, and she says you are to take music lessons and drawing lessons, and all that. George is very fond

The next morning between 10 and 11 the doorbell rang, and in a moment Jenny Lincoln, whose father's house was just opposite, came tripping into the parlor. She had lost in a measure that 10tundity of person so offensive to her mother, and it seemed to Mary that there was a thoughtful expression on her face never seen there before, but in all other respects she was the same affectionate, merry-hearted Jenny.

"I just this minute heard you were here, and came over just as I was," said she. After asking Mary if she wasn't sorry George had gone, and if she expected to find Mr. Stuart, she said, "I breaking everybody's heart, of course. She went to a concert with us last evening, and looked perfectly beautiful. Henry says she is the handsomest girl he ever saw, and I do hope she'll make something of him, but I'm afraid he is

only trifling with her." If there was a person in the world whom Mary thoroughly detested it was Henry Lincoln, and her eyes sparkled and flashed so indignantly that Ida noticed it, and secretly thought that Henry Lincoln would for once find his match. After a time Mary turned to Jenny, say-

ing, "You haven't told me a word about about William Bender. Is he well?" Jenny blushed deeply, and, hastily replying that he was the last time she saw him, started up, whispering in Mary's ear, "Oh, I've got so much to tell youbut I must go now.

Ida accompanied her to the door, and asked why Rose, too, did not call. In her usual frank, open way Jenny answered, "You know why. Rose is so queer." Ida understood her, and replied, "Very well; but tell her that if she doesn't see fit to notice my visitors I certainly shall

not be polite to hers." This message had the desired effect, for Rose, who was daily expecting a Miss King from Philadelphia, felt that nothing would mortify her more than to be neglected by Ida, who was rather a leader among the young fashionables. Accordingly, after a long consultation with her mother, she concluded it best to call upon Mary. In the course of the afternoon, chancing to be near the front window, she saw Mr. Selden's carriage drive away from his door with Ida and her

"Now is my time," thought she; and without a word to her mother or Jenny she threw on her bonnet and shawl, and in her thin French slippers stepped tively few American women take that across the street and rang Mr. Selden's precaution. In England the custom of doorbell. Of course she was "so disappointed not to find the young ladies at tripped back highly pleased with her own

Meantime Ida and Mary were enjoying their ride about the city, until, coming suddenly upon an organ grinder and monkey, the spirited horses became frightened and ran, upsetting the car- of identification were they stolen, alriage and dragging it some distance. Fortunately Ida was only bruised, but Mary things intact for even the briefest time. received a severe cut upon her head, which, with the fright, caused her to if it came near her door. But for certain faint. A young man who was passing down the street, and saw the accident immediately came to the rescue; and when Macy awoke to consciousness Billy Bender was supporting her and gently

no one suswered until a young gentle man, issuing from one of the fashious saloons, came blustering up, demaning "what the row was."

Upon seeing Ida, his manner changed instantly, and he ordered the crowd to "stand back," at the same time forcing his way forward until he caught a sight of Mary's face.

"Whew! Bill," said he, "your old flame, the pauper, isn't it?" It was fortunate for Henry Lincoln that Billy Bender's arms were both in use, otherwise he might have measured his length upon the sidewalk. As it was, Billy frowned angrily upon him, and in a fierce whisper bade him beware how he used Miss Howard's name. By this time the horses were caught, another carriage procured, and Mary, still supported by Billy Bender, was carefully lifted into it and borne back to Mr. Selden's house.

Many of Ida's friends, hearing of the accident, flocked in to see and to inquire after the young lady who was injured. among the first who called was Lizzle Upton from Chicopee. On her way home she stopped at Mrs. Campbell's, where she was immediately beset by Ella, to know "who the beautiful young lady was out from under the horses' heels!"

Lizzie looked at her a moment in sur-prise, and then replied, "Why, Miss Campbell, is it possible you don't know t was your own sister?"

It was Henry Lincoln himself who had given Ella her information, without, however, telling the lady's name; and now, when she learned that 'twas Mary, she lage. was too much surprised to answer, and Nearly 200 years ago Conrad Beissel, ing under a mistake. It was not Mr.

stayed away.

(To be continued.)

Mrs. Meredith Tells About the School for Farm :ra' Wives in Minnesota. What the West is doing in the way of training girls to live happy lives on farms was very ably shown at Huntington hall, Boston, recently by Mrs. Virginia C. Meredith, preceptress of the school of agriculture of Minnesota uni-

Mrs. Meredith has herself conducted a successful stock farm for many years, and she believes thoroughly in the farm life for young people.

"The farm home," she said, "Is to my mind the ideal home, and I am glad to say the thought in our school is always to educate the girl for the life she will have to live.

"At first we had only boys in the school, but when these, noticing that their sisters and sweethearts needed to learn just what they were learning, begged us to take girls, too, we did so, and now for four years we have been training farmers' daugh-

stock and the various developments names. About these two monastic planting corn.

Interesting to make a farm home.

"We give our girls special work to the girl who understands the why of it, and sewing is rapidly ceasing to suppose you know Ella is here, and that patterns are comprehensible things and not Chinese puzzles.

"The girl is taught, too, about textiles, a most interesting subject from the farmer's standpoint; and she attends lectures on household art in which suitability is shown to be the desideratum of a purchase of furniture.

"The application made in our school of mechanical drawing-that of designing model farmhouses-will have a great influence on the coming farm home of Minnesota. When the present generation build houses they will be convenient ones."

An Amusing Trick.

An ingenious trick has turned up which can be played with either matches or tooth-picks-the latter preferably. You simply take up a bunch of matches or tooth-picks, anywhere from one to two dozen, and, holding them tightly in both hands break them in the centre. Then throw them on the table and say,-

"The man who gets the last one pays for the clgars."

At the same time you take out one plece. That makes it absolutely certain-as there must then necessarily be an odd number in the pile-that your companion will get the last piece. It is curious to see how often this trick may be played before the victim can begin to understand the principle upon which it is worked.

Photographing Jewelry. Photographing jewelry is an excellent

way of protecting it, though comparawearing fewelry in photographs is much more prevalent than it is in New ome," and, leaving her card for them, York. Pictures of English women of wealth and position usually display the entire contents of their jewelry boxes, and their tiaras, stomachers and necklaces are frequently conspicuous enough to be serviceable as a means though thieves rarely dare to keep such American women owning valuable jewelry are not likely to possess any photographs of it, unless they were especially taken. And that precaution has so far been observed in few cases.

Chinese Funerals.

In China funeral processions have the right of way in the streets and all traf-Two or three hours each morning were eager voices of the group around; but fic must make way for them.



The Dunkards originated in Ger- | servances. Altogether they now nummany, out of which country they were ber more than 100,000 members, though driven by persecution early in the there is not much if any growth in their eighteenth century. They came to numbers of recent years. The young Pennsylvania on the invitation of Wil- people who grow up in the denominaliam Penn, and in that State they tion seem to be more and more inclined throve and grew numerous. Until re- to leave it in recent years for some cently Pennsylvania has been the head faith which will give them more libcenter of the Dunkards, but so many erty of thought and action. that Henry Lincoln had so heroically of them have emigrated to the farm saved from a violent death-dragging her lands of the far West that the center has now shifted.

It was from one of the Pennsylvania communities that sprang an even more curious and interesting developmentthat of the monastic Town of Ephreta, Pa., once a manufacturing and commercial metropolis, now a mere vil-

Lizzie continued: "I think you are labor of Dunkard parentage, was baptized them. Lincoln who saved your sister's life, but was a man of great study and plous have seen walking with George More zeal, and he became convinced that congregation twice a year, the first cera communistic life was entered upon by those who followed him. The men girded about the waist with a long good a fel."-Philadelphia Record. MAKING GIRLS HAPPY ON FARMS of the society wore long white flannel towel, who wipes the feet and bestows gowns and cowls, with shirts, trousers, the kiss of peace and the right hand and vests of the same material. The of fellowship in his or her turn. As women were attired in the same way, one benchful has the ceremony perwith the exception that a short petti- formed another takes its place until all non, Ky., and has lived all her life in coat was substituted for the trousers, the congregation has taken part. While that State. As a There were no vows of celibacy taken the feet washing is in progress the minnor required, though the idea was later makes a brief speech or reads

Every congregation of the Dunkards is entirely independent of the rest and elects its own deacons, ministers, and Bishops. None of the clergy is paid a regular salary, but if he is poor the church members will contribute to his support. When there are questions the thousands in the open air to settle

At every conference, as well as at the love-feasts which are held in every



KISS OF PEAC .

WASHING THE FERT.

"Our girls study side by side with taught by Beissel. Both the brothers from the Bible some passages alluding the boys the different breeds of live and sisters were known by monastic to the ceremony. of plant life. A farmer's wife needs communities gathered a good sized every third bench is so arranged that it Bengal papers, is being disturbed just to know how to tell a shorthorn from a community of people who believed in can be turned on a pivot and transnow over the origin of the term "grass Leave Portland....7 a.m. | Leave Astoria......7 a.m. longhorn, and what season is best for the doctrines taught by Beissel and formed into a table, about which the widow," and a considerable amount wanted to follow him. All property faithful gather for the sacrament of of research has been directed to the "We have been hearing in the past was held in common, and in a few the Lord's supper. The pew back is subject. So far the inquiries made much about the man's desire to get years the farm lands held by the comaway from the farm. The reason for munity and worked by the brothers and are placed large bowls of soup. Three back to the year 1844, when it was used his restlessness lies in the dissatisfac-tion of his women folk with farm life. Sisters became extremely productive and valuable. Gradually also flouring each of these bowls. After this the They needed to be taught that it was mills, paper and saw mills, and woolen communion itself is administered, and corruption of the much older one mills were erected on the banks of the the services conclude with the singing river by the community, and at one of hymns and preaching. "We give our girls special work time they were the largest mills of In case of sickness among the memthree years, dairy chemistry, and plant large, and it all went into the com- anointing the patient with oil and praycome from all these enterprises was bers cling to the ancient ceremonies of mon fund and was used for the com- ing over him. Word of each case of illmon support. The community was also ness is sent to the elders of the church active in proselyting, and set up one and at an appointed time they appear. become a lost art now that girls see of the first printing presses in the pour oil upon the head of the sick man.

> tracts. Now the mills are almost all in rulns. The great estate of the old community | threefold immersion. has practically passed out of the hands of the few surviving members of the

The old cloisters, where the brothers and slaters lived until a few years ago, to be found among those who vote are now leased to a number of families regularly and take an intelligent inand are fast crumbling into decay. terest in matters of public policy. The Within their walls one will first be old-fashioned Dunkards pride themstruck with the strange fact that all selves on the peculiarities which septhe doors are extremely small and of arate them from other people, and are hand 12 feet long, and the hour hand feet in height and twenty inches in thir church as "God's peculiar people." width. This, it is explained by the But it is the disinclination of the young old Dunkards who still live about people of their church to cut them. Ephreta, was intended to be a constant selves off from others of their own age reminder to the faithful, as they that has proved to be the greatest stooped and twisted to get through the weakness of the church. It is said to doors, that the way which leadeth to be barely holding its own at the preseternal life is narrow and steep.

These Dunkards are inclined to live together in communities, though this is less pronounced than formerly. They are cut off from the rest of the world not only by their peculiar dress but by journey became impressed with the be-



In the meeting-houses the back of

country to turn out its own books and lay their hands upon his head, and offer prayers in his behalf. Baptism is administered in running water and by Aimost all of the Dunkards are en-

gaged in farming. They will suffer a white gowns has long since passed and are not accustomed to take any News. part in politics, though more and more of the young men of the church are ent time.

> A Complimentary Indorsement. A farmer was traveling to London in quest of legal advice, and during the

portant papers. As he made a hurrled investigation of his bag he said: "If I did leave those papers I'm a

He continued the search, and a moment later exclaimed:

"I'll bet it'll turn out I'm a fool!" For the third time he rummaged through the bag, and as he reached the Dry Goods, Groceries last bundle he repeated:

"Yes, sir, I believe it'll turn out

Now the traveling British public greatly resents any disturbance of its greatly resents any disturbance of its solemn silence, and a man on the other Flour and Feed, etc. side of the compartment, who had listened frowningly to the farmer's definition of his own status, looked over his newspaper and said, with sarcastic in

"Oblige me, sir, by laying a little All dividends are made with cust money that same way for me."

in the way of reasonable prices. The proposition was not accepted partly because betting is immoral, and GEO. T. PRATHER. partly because the farmer felt that his companion would have a sure thing.

His Shining Future.

A cab driver of the nighthawk spe cles, who begins to look for his prey

even before the sun goes down, patronizes a little Italian bootblack named Tony. Every evening about 6 o'clock Abstracts, he pulls up in front of Tony's stand, which involve more than one congrega- climbs from his perch, seats himself in tion district and general conferences the chair and demands a shine. Tony are held, and the Dunkards meet by always responds with great alacrity, but never gets any pay. Still he seems satisfied. "How is it you shine his shoes for nothing?" asked another customer last evening, as the Jehn climbed up to his sent and drove off. "Dat's the seventh, instead of the first, day emony is that of the washing of feet. a Jeem," replied Tony, smiling until LOTS & BLOCKS FOR SALE. Ella replied that she never saw George of the week should be observed as the All the men of the congregation sit on his white teeth fairly gleamed. "Jeen Moreland, as he left Boston before she Sabbath day. He wrote tracts in supone side of the meeting-house and all is a ma frien'." "Yes, he seems to be the women on the other side. Then, as your friend," said the man in the all anxious to know whether Mary was strongly that, to avoid trouble, he was the candles are lit, the members on the chair. "You give him a shine every Telephone 51. Correspondence Solicited much injured or not, Lizzie soon took her finally compelled to withdraw from front benches remove their shoes and night, don't you? What has he ever leave. Long after she was gone Ella sat membership in the society. He retired stockings. Men and women come in, done for you?" "Oh, Jeem, he's-a all alone in the parlor, wondering why Henry should tell her such a falsehood, and if he really thought Mary beautiful. Poor, simple Elia! She was fast learning to membership in the society. He retired into what was then a wilderness and made his home in an old cave on the bank of a river, where he lived the life on the woman's side then wash the simple Elia! She was fast learning to live on Henry Lincoln's smile, to believe of a hermit. Gradually some of his feet, one by one, shaking the right hand time I tak-a you out an' give-a you a feet, one by one, shaking the right hand time I tak-a you out an' give-a you a feet, one by one, shaking the right hand time I tak-a you out an' give-a you a feet, one by one, shaking the right hand the live of each individual as the washing is ously for his coming, and to weep if he that he had the right way of thinking completed and giving the kiss of peace. asked the customer. "T'ree year ago," gathered about his cavern, and in 1732 Closely following the person who does said Tony, still smiling. "Some-a time, the washing comes another person, Jeem, he tak-a me out. Jeem, he's a

> A Kentucky Author. Mrs. Lucy Cleaver McElroy, the author of "Juletty," was born in Leba-

girl Mrs. McElroy joined in all her father's sports and lived an out-ofdoors-life. This manner of living she kept up after

able to hold a pen, she picked out the words with one hand on a typewriter. Yet she writes with a fullness of life

sports might envy. Origin of "Grass Widow." Society in India, it appears from the "grace widow." This is derived from 'vidua de gratia," which may be interpreted literally as "widow by fa-

Great Men's Playfellows. Thomas Jefferson's happiest hours

vor."-London News.

were spent in working and jeaying with his children and grandchildren. Charles Dickens found his best recreation in the same way. Abraham Lincoln soothed the anxieties of war days by romping with his boys in the White House. And New England's grand old man, Everett Hale, has kept young in spite of a long life of hard public labor society, and the last of the brothers in wrong rather than go to law about it, dren and their children.—Indianapolis

The Biggest Clock in America. The biggest clock in America is in the tower of a public building in Philadel phia. It is 351 feet from the pavement. Its bell weighs over 20,000 pounds. The dial is 25 feet in diameter, the minute the same size, measuring exactly five accustomed to refer to the members of 9 feet, the numerals on the face being 2 feet 8 inches in length. A threehorse-power engine winds the clock.

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